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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Office Action in the above-referenced patent application mailed March 13, 2003 be extended for one (2) months to and including August 13, 2003. Please debit the \$205 extension fee from Deposit Account 07-1185 on which the undersigned is allowed to draw.

I hereby certify under 37 CFR 1.8 that the following correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to MS NON-FEE AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. Please return the enclosed postcard acknowledging receipt of this correspondence.

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